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OF THE

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For the Year ending

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TO THE

TIVERTON

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to lay before you my Annual Report on the health of the District for the year ending 31st December, 1949.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area: 114,139 Acres.

Population, estimated: 20,740.

Rateable Value: £77,777.

Sum Represented by a Penny Rate: £328.

Social Conditions. Agriculture being the chief occupation of the inhabitants, conditions are, on the whole, good.

Slaughtering Industries.

Government Slaughterhouse, Tiverton Junction.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

		Total.	M.	F.	
Live Births	Legitimate	304	169	135	Birth Rate per 1000 the population—15·3
	Illegitimate	15	9	6	
Still Births	Legitimate	8	4	4	Rate per 1000 total births—25·0
	Illegitimate	—	—	—	
Deaths		256	130	126	Crude Death Rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population—12·3

Corrected Death Rate .. .. 9·3

Deaths from diseases & accidents of pregnancy and child-birth — from sepsis .. Nil; from other causes Nil

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:

All infants per 1,000 live births .. .. .. 18·7

Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births 19·0

Illegitimate infants deaths under one .. .. Nil

Deaths from Measles (all ages) .. .. .. Nil

,, ,, Whooping Cough (all ages) 1

,, ,, Diarrhœa (under 2 years of age) .. 1

,, ,, Cancer 40

Statistics for England and Wales.

Births per 1,000 of population .. .. Live 16·7; Still 0·39

Deaths .. .. 11·7

Deaths under one year of age 32

Excessive Mortality during the Year.

Deaths from Cancer are 40 as compared to 30 in 1948.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

1. Nursing in the home. No change.

2. Number of Midwives practising in the Area. The District Nurses, of which there are 16, act in this capacity.

3. Laboratory Facilities. Clinical material is examined at the County Laboratories as before, also at the Pathological Department, Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital.

4. Legislation in Force. There has been no major change during the past year with regard to Legislation in Force throughout the Area.

5. The Tiverton Hospital for Infectious Diseases. The Tiverton Hospital for Infectious Diseases is now used by the Hospital Board for recovery cases from Tiverton District and from the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital. Cases requiring isolation now go to Whipton Isolation Hospital, Exeter.

General Surgical and Medical Cases are admitted to Tiverton and District Hospital or the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital. Both Hospitals have considerable waiting lists. more especially the latter, and consequently accommodation cannot be considered adequate.

Maternity Cases. The majority are admitted to the Tiverton and District Hospital, admission being controlled by the County Medical Officer. Applications are usually in excess of accommodation.

SECTION C.—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supplies.

Severe drought conditions during the latter part of the Summer of this year caused many privately owned supplies to become short, but all public supplies with the exception of Morebath, remained satisfactory, though very considerably depleted. All samples of public supplies taken during the year were satisfactory, with the exception of Morebath, where a new source had to be found and brought into service.

Byelaws are still in course of preparation under the Water Act, 1945, for the Prevention of Waste, Undue Consumption, Mis-use or Contamination of Water supplied through the Council's Water Schemes. In view of the tendency of the Council's Regional Water Scheme water towards Plumbo-Solvency, power is being sought under the new Byelaws to prohibit the use of lead for house service pipes, etc.

New schemes are under preparation for the villages of Blackborough and Hockworthy, together with Staple Cross and Clayhanger.

New mains have been laid throughout the town of Bradninch and all premises fitted with new service connections. This has been done to eliminate wastage from old pipes and fittings.

The metering of all premises using mains water for trade purposes is still proceeding, as other work permits.

During the year, the following premises have been connected to main supplies:—

Domestic Premises	144	
Trade Premises	48	(metered supplies)
Total of New Consumers during year ..	192	

The following is a statement of the consumers on the Council's Water Scheme throughout the district:—

Parishes with a Main Water Supply	Estimated Population	Approx. Population Supplied from Mains	No. of Dwelling Houses Connected	No. of Dwelling Houses Supplied by Stand-pipes
Bampton	1.592	925	306	30
Bradninch	1792	1260	422	—
Burlescombe	687	300	101	—
Cullompton	3073	2050	709	—
Culmstock	875	390	136	—
Halberton	1302	630	215	—
Hemyock	957	450	152	—
Holcombe Rogus	478	190	62	—
Kentisbeare	814	270	90	—
Morebath	403	40	13	10
Oakford	444	60	19	4
Sampford Peverell	730	440	146	—
Silverton	1129	915	301	35
Thorverton	874	450	155	—
Uffculme	1672	950	313	—
Uplowman	316	90	29	—
Washfield	315	75	25	—
Willand	666	560	181	7
TOTALS:	18,119	10,045	3,375	86

Sewerage.

Parish.	Details.	Estimated Population.
Bampton.	Work is in progress on the new disposal plant and outfall sewer. It is hoped that the scheme will be operating towards the end of 1950. A supplementary loan for £3,350 has been applied for in order to carry out improvements to the sewer in Brook Street, Newton Square, South Molton Road and High Street.	1592
Bickleigh.	The village is partly sewered and disposal is by means of a septic tank. During the year the sewer has been overhauled and cleared where a serious chokage had occurred.	200
Bradninch.	There are two outfalls, disposal is by means of settling tanks and irrigation channels. No filter beds are provided for the effluent which eventually discharges into the River Culm. An extension in Westfield has been carried out in order to obviate a nuisance at Crosses Cottages.	1792
Burlescombe.	The existing sewer and septic tank is entirely unsatisfactory. A new sewerage scheme is required at Westleigh. Minor repairs have been carried out during the year.	687
Butterleigh.	No sewerage scheme. Mainly pail closets. Complaints have been received during the year from the Devon County Council regarding the discharge of waste water on to the highway.	96

Parish.	Details.	Estimated Population.
Cadbury.	Conservancy.	157
Cadeleigh.	Partly sewered. Disposal by septic tank and filter. This tank has been cleaned out and overhauled.	162
Clayhanger.	No sewerage system. Mainly pail closets.	136
Clayhidon.	No sewerage scheme. Drainage is disposed of by septic tanks where W.C's. have been installed.	483
Cruwys Morchard.	Conservancy. Mainly pails.	463
Cullompton.	Disposal is by means of settling tanks and percolating filters. A full time man is employed on maintaining this system. It has been found necessary to clear an accumulation of gravel from the sewer in the lower part of the town at a cost of over £300, so that flooding of the sewer should not occur during heavy rainfall. Sprinkler arms have been renewed during the year and certain other minor improvements carried out at the sewerage disposal works. The question of industrial pollution from factories has been referred to the Medical Department of the Devon County Council, who are dealing with the matter.	3073
Culmstock.	The existing disposal works are inadequate and a new scheme is urgently required. Arrangements have been made for the existing channels of the broad irrigation system to be cleaned out during the Spring of 1950.	875

Parish.	Details.	Estimated Population.
Halberton.	Consulting Engineers have the question of a comprehensive scheme for the village in hand. It is hoped that a detailed scheme will be submitted to the Ministry during the year 1950. There has been a certain amount of unavoidable delay on account of the death of the consulting engineer, Mr. Prichard.	1302
Hemyock.	There is a sewerage scheme with an unsatisfactory outfall. A proper disposal plant is urgently required in this village.	957
Hockworthy.	Conservancy—mainly pails. It is hoped that a scheme for the Staple Cross area will be commenced during the year 1950.	201
Holcombe Rogus.	Conservancy—there are also several unsatisfactory septic tanks in the village and a sewerage system is required. Complaints have been received during the year regarding unsatisfactory septic tank affluents. In several cases there is no solution to the problem until a sewerage scheme is installed.	478
Huntsham.	Conservancy—mainly pails.	183
Kentisbeare.	There is a very primitive sewerage system with no proper disposal works. A sewerage scheme is required. A scheme to serve 24 Council houses and three private houses is being commenced early in 1950.	814

Parish.	Details.	Estimated Population.
Loxbeare.	Conservancy—pails and septic tanks.	159
Morebath.	Conservancy—pails and septic tanks. Unsatisfactory conditions at Exbridge will need attention in the future.	403
Oakford.	Sewerage scheme with septic tank and filter. The filter will require improvements before the scheme will work satisfactorily.	444
Sampford Peverell.	The existing conditions are very bad, giving rise to nuisances during the Summer. The Consulting Engineers have now prepared a scheme for this village and it will be submitted to the Ministry early in 1950.	730
Silverton.	Public sewer with a satisfactory disposal works. A sewer at the rear of King Street will need re-laying in the near future.	1129
Stoodleigh.	Conservancy—mainly pails.	300
Templeton.	Conservancy—mainly pails.	155
Thorverton.	Public sewerage scheme with a satisfactory disposal works.	874
Uffculme.	Public sewerage scheme, settling tanks and broad irrigation. A new disposal plant will be required at a future date. It is anticipated that a part of the sewer will have to be dragged during the year 1950. Ashill—the unsatisfactory conditions at Ashill, Uffculme, will need attention in the near future.	1672

Parish.	Details.	Estimated Population.
Uplowman.	Conservancy. Pails and septic tanks.	316
Washfield.	Village scheme with septic tank.	315
Willand.	Consulting Engineers have now completed the preparation of a scheme for this area and it will shortly be submitted to the Ministry of Health.	666

Shops Act.

During the year it has not been necessary to serve any formal notices for defects. Any defects have been dealt with immediately the attention of the owner or manager has been drawn to the existence of the defect.

Sanitation of Schools.

Several of the smaller County Primary Schools have rather antiquated sanitary arrangements and now that school meals are being prepared and served in these schools there is a definite risk of outbreaks of fly-borne diseases.

Where necessary the question of improvements is being taken up with the County Education Authority.

Smoke Abatement.

No action has been taken during the year under review.

Swimming Baths.

During the year visits were made to the Swimming Baths at Waterloo Cross, Uffculme.

Six samples of the Baths' water were taken. Five of these proved very satisfactory and the remaining sample showed slight bacterial contamination.

The water is filtered and chlorinated at regular intervals.

Scavenging and Refuse Disposal.

The Council are now operating two refuse lorries and refuse is collected from every one of the 30 parishes in the district.

A weekly collection of refuse is in operation in the larger villages and built-up areas in the district and fortnightly collections in the small out-lying villages and hamlets. Arrangements have also been made for the collection of refuse from farms and isolated groups of houses, provided the refuse can be brought to a central point on a road which can be negotiated by the refuse lorries.

Refuse disposal is by controlled tipping at Gaddon Down, Uffculme.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

Houses cleansed and re-decorated	2
Nuisances from Cesspools and Waste Deposits ..	13
Wells closed	1
Number of Cowsheds on Register at end of Year ..	Nil
This item became the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries w.e.f. 1st October, 1949	
Inspections of—Cowsheds (up to 1st October, 1949) ..	29
Dairies ,, ,, ,, ,, ..	14
Bakehouse Inspections	19
Shops and Food Stores Inspections	14
Slaughterhouse Inspections	529
Inspection of Butchers' and other Shops	18
Inspection of Hide Stores	5
Number of Carcases Examined	24,534
Amount of Unsound Meat	47 tons, 10 cwts., 0 qrs., 17 lbs.
Knacker Yard Inspections	10
Rats and Mice Inspections	11
Building Repairs, etc.	447
(Including Inspections under the Town & Country Planning Act, 1947)	
Inspections in connection with Petroleum ..	19

Caravan Inspections	4
Inspection of Fried Fish and Chip Shops ..	9
Public Conveniences Inspections	21
Inspections in connection with Water Supplies ..	35
Drainage Inspections	52
Inspections of Cafes and Restaurants	3
Piggeries Inspections	5
Cattle Market Inspections	2
Inspections in connection with Infectious Diseases ..	36
Inspections of Ice Cream Premises	12
Refuse Dump Visits	52
Refuse Complaints Investigated	71
Visits to Sewerage Works	120
Inspections in connection with Smoke Abatement ..	3
Inspection of Schools	12
Disinfections—Infectious Diseases	22
Verminous	6
Nuisances and Complaints Investigated	84

Factories Act, 1937. 1.—INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.

Premises (1)	Number of Inspections (2)	Written Notices (3)	Occupiers Prosecuted (4)
Factories .. .. .. (Including Factory Laundries)	5	Nil	Nil
Workshops .. .. (Including Workshop Laundries)	8	Nil	Nil
Workplaces . .. (Other than Outworkers' Premises)	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total	13	Nil	Nil

2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

Want of cleanliness—4. Remedied—4.

Sanitary Conveniences :

(*a*) Insufficient—1. Remedied—1.

(*b*) Unsuitable or defective—1. Remedied—1.

Total Number of Defects Found—6.

Total Number of Defects Remedied—6.

SECTION D—HOUSING.

Plans and Applications Deposited for Approval Under the Council's Building Byelaws and Town and Country Planning Act, 1947.

No. of plans and applications deposited for new dwellings (including farmhouses)	45
No. of plans and applications deposited for new buildings (other than dwellings and farmhouses)	80
No. of plans and applications deposited for other development (including alterations or extensions to existing buildings (including dwellings and farmhouses)) ..	108
No. of plans and applications deposited for consent to display Advertisements	6
Total number of plans and applications deposited for formal approval	239
No. of informal applications and plans deposited for informal approval only	38

Appeals:

No. of appeals lodged against decisions given by the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947	2
No. of appeals allowed	1
No. of appeals disallowed	1

Control of Civil Building Under Defence Regulations—Building Licensing.

Building licenses granted by the Council for private enterprise dwellings (other than farmhouses) ..	3
Building licenses granted by the Council for maintenance and repair, etc., of existing dwellings (other than farmhouses and farm buildings, etc.) ..	38

Total number of licenses granted by the Council during 1949	41
Building licenses granted by the Ministry of Works for new farmhouses	11
Building licenses granted by the Ministry of Works for new buildings (other than farmhouses or dwellings)	4
Building licences granted by the Ministry of Works for repairs, maintenance, etc., of existing farmhouses, farm buildings and buildings other than dwellings	53
Total number of licenses granted by the Ministry of Works during 1949	68
Number of applicants on the Council's "waiting list" for private enterprise building licenses at December 31st, 1949	33

Council Housing Progress.

Number of housing sites approved for future development are as follows :—

Sites Approved but no Development Started	Partly Developed Sites	Completely Developed Sites
Stoodleigh	Bampton "B"	Bampton "A"
Kentisbeare	Bradninch	Uffculme "A"
Cullompton "B"	Burlescombe	Cullompton "A"
Bickleigh	Culmstock	Uplowman
Halberton "B"	Halberton "A"	Shillingford
Holcombe Rogus	Sampford Peverell	
Clayhanger	Silverton	
Clayhidon	Thorverton	
Hockworthy	Willand	
Morebath	Hemyock	
Butterleigh		
Templeton		
Cruwys Morchard		
Washfield		
Oakford 1—High Bolham		
Oakford 2—East Mildon		
Cadbury		
Ash Thomas		
Loxbeare		
Total 19.	Total 10.	Total 5.

No. of Houses completed in 1949		
Parish	No.	
Hemyock	1	(January)
Bradninch	1	(March)
Bradninch	3	(April)
Bradninch	2	(May)
Uplowman	4	(August)
Silverton	6	(September)
Halberton	4	,,
Hemyock	4	(October)
Hemyock	2	(November)
Silverton	4	(December)
Halberton	4	,,
Bradninch	4	,,
Uffculme	2	,,
Burlescombe	2	,,
TOTAL	43	

No. of Houses in course of Construction at 31st Dec., 1949	
Parish	No.
Silverton	4
Halberton	6
Bradninch	10
Uffculme	12
Burlescombe	4
Shillingford	4
Thorverton	6
Bampton "B"	14
Culmstock	8
TOTAL	68

HOUSING INSPECTION.

1. *Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the Year*:—

(1) (*a*) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 360

(*b*) Number of inspections made for the purpose 406

(2) (*a*) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 240

(*b*) Number of inspections made for the purpose 252

(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation .. 23

(4) Number of dwelling-houses exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head and found to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation 217

2. *Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices* :—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers 60

3. *Action under Statutory Powers during the Year* :—

A.—Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs 1

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :

(*a*) By owners (work in hand) .. Nil

(*b*) By Local Authority in default of owners .. .. .. Nil

B.—Proceedings under Public Health Acts :

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 7

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:

(*a*) By owners 3

(*b*) By Local Authority in default of owners 2

C.—Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :

(1) Number of houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted .. Culmstock 3

(2) Number of houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders .. .. Culmstock 1

D.—Proceedings under section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 .. .. Nil

Rural Housing Survey.

The systematic inspection of houses of a rateable value of under £16, for sanitary defects, continued throughout the year. The survey has been completed in the parishes of:— Bampton, Bradninch, Cullompton, Culmstock, Halberton, Hemyock, Kentisbeare, Morebath, Sampford Peverell, Silverton, Thorverton, Uffculme, Willand, Cruws Morchard, Uplowman, Bickleigh, Cadeleigh, Cadbury and Templeton. Progress has been slow during the year owing to the illness of Mr. Grinham.

Below is a summary of the work carried out up to 31st December, 1949:—

Total number of houses inspected ..	3379
No. placed in Category "A" .. .. (Satisfactory in all respects).	565
No. placed in Category "B" .. .. (Houses with minor defects).	1204
No. placed in Category "C" .. .. (Houses with major defects requiring reconditioning and structural repair).	1411
No. placed in Category "D" .. .. (Houses unfit for habitation and beyond repair at a reasonable expense).	219
Total number of over-crowded houses ..	34

SECTION E—INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

(*a*) Milk Supply.

Continued progress has been made during the year in the reconditioning and reconstruction of cowsheds. From 1st October, 1949, however, the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries assumed responsibility for the supervision of cowsheds (dairy farms) under the Milk and Dairies Order, 1949.

Applications for building licenses for repairs, etc., to farm buildings at farms where milk is produced, have received the special consideration and attention of the Ministry of Works.

All plans for new cowsheds and reconstruction of existing cowsheds have been submitted for approval and observations of the County Milk Production Officer, in-so-far as milk production is concerned, before planning and byelaw approvals have been issued.

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

On 1st October, 1949, the following regulations came into operation :—

Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised) Regulations, 1949.

Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

The general purport of the regulations is as follows :—

The execution and enforcement of the regulations, registration and supervision in respect of Dairy Farms became the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Local Authorities retain responsibility for those provisions which apply outside dairy farms and for the registration of dairies which are not dairy farms and of dairymen who are not dairy farmers. Local Authorities are also responsible for the issue of Dealers' Licenses, authorising the use of Special Designations and registration of Milk Distributors.

There were a number of minor changes in the regulations relating to buildings, the cleansing of vessels and utensils and the distribution of milk, etc.

(*b*) Meat Inspection (Meat Regulations and Slaughterhouses (R.D.C.) Order 1934).

Only one slaughterhouse has been in use during the year, i.e., the Government Slaughterhouse at Tiverton Junction.

All work of Meat Inspection has received special attention and all carcases and offals have been inspected at the time or just after slaughter.

During the year it was reported that certain improvements were necessary at the Slaughterhouse to facilitate the sound inspection of meat.

The Ministry of Food Advisory Officer suggested that a hoist be provided to raise the carcases from the floor whilst inspection is made and also that a small bench be provided on which to raise the necks of animals whilst inspection is carried out.

Due to certain difficulties experienced it was further suggested by the Advisory Officer of the Ministry of Food that all doubtful carcases be detained 24 hours and if suspected of being "drenched" that a "stew test" be made before decisions are given.

These suggestions have been adopted.

It was also pointed out during the year that with other work on hand certain difficulties presented themselves in the inspection of meat. The only sound method of performing meat inspection satisfactorily is for a full-time meat inspector to be appointed. Mr. A. L. Sanders has assisted at busy periods.

It is understood that slaughtering will commence in April, 1950, by Messrs. C. & T. Harris (Calne) Ltd., at Tiverton Junction, and it was further reported that the situation will then have to be reviewed with regard to inspection.

Carcases Condemned.

	Cattle	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	2560	2711	16228	3035
Number inspected	2560	2711	16228	3035
Whole carcases condemned for diseases other than tuberculosis	10	14	108	5
Whole carcases condemned for tuberculosis only ..	126	—	—	71

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933.

No action has had to be taken under this Act. The Electroleather is used for the stunning of sheep and pigs and the Cash Captive Bolt for bullocks and calves.

(*c*) Adulteration.

No action has been taken under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act. The work is carried out by the County Medical Department.

(*d*) Chemical and Bacteriological Examination of Food.

This work is undertaken by the County Medical Department.

Ice Cream.

Number of premises registered at 31st Dec., 1949 .. 14
Number of samples taken during the year 1949 10

These were graded as follows :—

Provisional Grade	1 (Satisfactory) ..	2
,, ,,	2 (Fair)	4
,, ,,	3 (Unsatisfactory) ..	2
,, ,,	4 (Bad)	2

Clean Food Campaigns.

During the year the Model Food Byelaws of the Ministry of Food came under consideration with a view to adoption of same.

Careful supervision of restaurants and cafes, etc., has been carried out and posters have been displayed drawing the attention of the public to the need for clean food.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1949 giving age incidence.

Age Periods	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Whooping Cough	Measles	Pneumonia	Erysipelas	Para Typhoid	Dysentery (Sonné)	Cerebro Spinal Meningitis	Enteric	Acute Poliomyelitis
0— 1	—	—	7	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
1— 3	2	—	23	9	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
3— 5	3	—	25	17	5	—	—	—	—	—	1
5—10	12	—	29	33	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
10—15	5	—	1	6	4	1	—	—	—	—	1
15—25	1	—	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
25—30	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
30—35	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
35—45	—	—	—	—	6	2	—	—	—	—	—
45—55	—	—	—	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—
55- over	—	—	—	—	13	3	—	—	—	—	—
Age Unknown	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	23	—	87	72	55	9	—	—	—	—	2

Puerperal Pyrexia. Nil.

TUBERCULOSIS. New Cases and Mortality during 1949.

Age Periods	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
5	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	1
10	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
15	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	3	2	—	—	1	—	—	—
25	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
45	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	1
65 up	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Age Unknown	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
Total	4	10	4	4	3	2	—	2

All the above deaths have been notified according to the Regulations.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1925. No action was taken during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1925, SECTION 62. No action was taken.

I am indebted to the Officers of the Council for their help during the year.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. NICHOLSON,

Medical Officer of Health.

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